

LEGISLATIVE BILL 315

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1999

Introduced by Brashear, 4; Quandahl, 31

AN ACT relating to judges; to amend section 25-2905, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to create the Nebraska County Court Judges Association; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. The Nebraska County Court Judges Association is hereby created which shall consist of all the active judges of the county courts of this state and their successors in office. The association shall:

(1) Meet at least once during each calendar year;

(2) Select from its membership officers thereof; and

(3) Adopt such bylaws and rules as may be necessary or proper for the conduct of its meetings, the exercise of its powers, and the performance of its duties and delegate to one or more of its members such powers as the association deems necessary to carry out its responsibilities.

Sec. 2. Section 25-2905, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

25-2905. The Advisory Council on Dispute Resolution is hereby created. The council shall be comprised of individuals from a variety of disciplines who are trained and knowledgeable in mediation and selected to be representative of the geographical and cultural diversity of the state and to reflect gender fairness. The council shall consist of eleven voting members. The membership shall include a representative from the Nebraska District Court Judges Association, the Nebraska County Court Judges Association, and the Nebraska State Bar Association. The council shall be appointed by the Supreme Court or a designee. Nominations shall be solicited from the Nebraska District Court Judges Association, the Nebraska County Court Judges Association, the Nebraska State Bar Association, the Nebraska Mediation Coalition, the Public Counsel, social workers, mental health professionals, educators, and other interested groups or individuals. The Supreme Court or its designee shall not be restricted to the solicited list of nominees in making its appointments. Two nonvoting, ex officio members shall be appointed by the council from among the approved centers.

Sec. 3. Original section 25-2905, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.